

## STEEL TONNAGE IS DECREASED 187,758

Falling Off in March About as Generally Expected by Trade.

7,165,956 TONS ON BOOKS

Further Decreases of Small Volume Expected in Next Few Months.

The unfilled tonnage statement of the United States Steel Corporation was about as had been expected, with the decrease of 187,758 tons for the month of March. At the end of that month there were 7,165,956 tons of orders on the books compared with 7,352,161 at the end of March, 1912, and 7,094,841 on March 31, 1912, as the present rate of decrease, which showed an average of about 169,000 tons for the first three months of the year, there would be about 5,500,000 tons of orders on the books a year from now, or nearly 100,000 tons at the end of 1913.

That some decrease in unfilled tonnage will be shown during the next few months is considered probable, even though heavier buying for spring and summer requirements is expected. Whether the falling off will be as heavy as it has been during the first quarter of the year is uncertain, with the prospects that it will be larger, because consumers may withhold their business as a result of the present tariff reductions.

The present conditions in the steel trade, with new business in fair volume, but smaller than production and shipments, would have been a natural consequence of the unusually heavy business booked last year even if it were not for the fact that, following five months ending October 31, 1912, and ending December 31, 1912, there was a continuous run of orders for steel which caused an increase in unfilled tonnage from 8,611,317 tons on September 30, 1912, to a total 13,000,000 tons greater at the end of the period. As compared with the low ebb in the amount of new business on the books at the end of the corporation's fiscal year, centering on December 31, 1912, when only 2,474,757 tons of orders booked were unfilled, the present total is 1,600,000 tons greater, while it is only 1,000,000 tons under the best total ever reported, 5,459,718 tons on December 31, 1908, and at that time much business of a speculative nature was on the books, while little actual business was included. Neither is included in the totals now, while some business has been refused all along because of inability to make deliveries as asked.

The following table shows unfilled tonnage since the formation of the Steel Corporation:

Period	Tonage	Period	Tonage
Sept. 30, 1912	1,655,666	June 30, 1910	4,257,004
Sept. 30, 1912	1,660,714	March 31, 1911	5,459,718
Sept. 30, 1912	1,665,762	June 30, 1911	5,452,514
Sept. 30, 1912	1,670,810	March 31, 1912	5,455,324
Sept. 30, 1912	1,675,858	June 30, 1912	5,457,229
Sept. 30, 1912	1,680,906	March 31, 1913	5,461,034
Sept. 30, 1912	1,685,954	June 30, 1913	5,464,841
Sept. 30, 1912	1,690,002	March 31, 1914	5,467,646
Sept. 30, 1912	1,695,050	June 30, 1914	5,470,451
Sept. 30, 1912	1,700,098	March 31, 1915	5,473,256
Sept. 30, 1912	1,705,146	June 30, 1915	5,476,061
Sept. 30, 1912	1,710,194	March 31, 1916	5,478,866
Sept. 30, 1912	1,715,242	June 30, 1916	5,481,671
Sept. 30, 1912	1,720,290	March 31, 1917	5,484,476
Sept. 30, 1912	1,725,338	June 30, 1917	5,487,281
Sept. 30, 1912	1,730,386	March 31, 1918	5,490,086
Sept. 30, 1912	1,735,434	June 30, 1918	5,492,891
Sept. 30, 1912	1,740,482	March 31, 1919	5,495,696
Sept. 30, 1912	1,745,530	June 30, 1919	5,498,501
Sept. 30, 1912	1,750,578	March 31, 1920	5,501,306
Sept. 30, 1912	1,755,626	June 30, 1920	5,504,111
Sept. 30, 1912	1,760,674	March 31, 1921	5,506,916
Sept. 30, 1912	1,765,722	June 30, 1921	5,509,721
Sept. 30, 1912	1,770,770	March 31, 1922	5,512,526
Sept. 30, 1912	1,775,818	June 30, 1922	5,515,331
Sept. 30, 1912	1,780,866	March 31, 1923	5,518,136
Sept. 30, 1912	1,785,914	June 30, 1923	5,520,941
Sept. 30, 1912	1,790,962	March 31, 1924	5,523,746
Sept. 30, 1912	1,795,010	June 30, 1924	5,526,551
Sept. 30, 1912	1,800,058	March 31, 1925	5,529,356
Sept. 30, 1912	1,805,106	June 30, 1925	5,532,161
Sept. 30, 1912	1,810,154	March 31, 1926	5,534,966
Sept. 30, 1912	1,815,202	June 30, 1926	5,537,771
Sept. 30, 1912	1,820,250	March 31, 1927	5,540,576
Sept. 30, 1912	1,825,298	June 30, 1927	5,543,381
Sept. 30, 1912	1,830,346	March 31, 1928	5,546,186
Sept. 30, 1912	1,835,394	June 30, 1928	5,548,991
Sept. 30, 1912	1,840,442	March 31, 1929	5,551,796
Sept. 30, 1912	1,845,490	June 30, 1929	5,554,601
Sept. 30, 1912	1,850,538	March 31, 1930	5,557,406
Sept. 30, 1912	1,855,586	June 30, 1930	5,560,211
Sept. 30, 1912	1,860,634	March 31, 1931	5,563,016
Sept. 30, 1912	1,865,682	June 30, 1931	5,565,821
Sept. 30, 1912	1,870,730	March 31, 1932	5,568,626
Sept. 30, 1912	1,875,778	June 30, 1932	5,571,431
Sept. 30, 1912	1,880,826	March 31, 1933	5,574,236
Sept. 30, 1912	1,885,874	June 30, 1933	5,577,041
Sept. 30, 1912	1,890,922	March 31, 1934	5,580,846
Sept. 30, 1912	1,895,970	June 30, 1934	5,583,651
Sept. 30, 1912	1,900,018	March 31, 1935	5,586,456
Sept. 30, 1912	1,905,066	June 30, 1935	5,589,261
Sept. 30, 1912	1,910,114	March 31, 1936	5,592,066
Sept. 30, 1912	1,915,162	June 30, 1936	5,594,871
Sept. 30, 1912	1,920,210	March 31, 1937	5,597,676
Sept. 30, 1912	1,925,258	June 30, 1937	5,600,481
Sept. 30, 1912	1,930,306	March 31, 1938	5,603,286
Sept. 30, 1912	1,935,354	June 30, 1938	5,606,091
Sept. 30, 1912	1,940,402	March 31, 1939	5,608,896
Sept. 30, 1912	1,945,450	June 30, 1939	5,611,701
Sept. 30, 1912	1,950,498	March 31, 1940	5,614,506
Sept. 30, 1912	1,955,546	June 30, 1940	5,617,311
Sept. 30, 1912	1,960,594	March 31, 1941	5,620,116
Sept. 30, 1912	1,965,642	June 30, 1941	5,622,921
Sept. 30, 1912	1,970,690	March 31, 1942	5,625,726
Sept. 30, 1912	1,975,738	June 30, 1942	5,628,531
Sept. 30, 1912	1,980,786	March 31, 1943	5,631,336
Sept. 30, 1912	1,985,834	June 30, 1943	5,634,141
Sept. 30, 1912	1,990,882	March 31, 1944	5,636,946
Sept. 30, 1912	1,995,930	June 30, 1944	5,639,751
Sept. 30, 1912	2,000,978	March 31, 1945	5,642,556
Sept. 30, 1912	2,005,026	June 30, 1945	5,645,361
Sept. 30, 1912	2,010,074	March 31, 1946	5,648,166
Sept. 30, 1912	2,015,122	June 30, 1946	5,650,971
Sept. 30, 1912	2,020,170	March 31, 1947	5,653,776
Sept. 30, 1912	2,025,218	June 30, 1947	5,656,581
Sept. 30, 1912	2,030,266	March 31, 1948	5,659,386
Sept. 30, 1912	2,035,314	June 30, 1948	5,662,191
Sept. 30, 1912	2,040,362	March 31, 1949	5,664,996
Sept. 30, 1912	2,045,410	June 30, 1949	5,667,701
Sept. 30, 1912	2,050,458	March 31, 1950	5,670,506
Sept. 30, 1912	2,055,506	June 30, 1950	5,673,311
Sept. 30, 1912	2,060,554	March 31, 1951	5,676,116
Sept. 30, 1912	2,065,602	June 30, 1951	5,678,921
Sept. 30, 1912	2,070,650	March 31, 1952	5,681,726
Sept. 30, 1912	2,075,698	June 30, 1952	5,684,531
Sept. 30, 1912	2,080,746	March 31, 1953	5,687,336
Sept. 30, 1912	2,085,794	June 30, 1953	5,690,141
Sept. 30, 1912	2,090,842	March 31, 1954	5,692,946
Sept. 30, 1912	2,095,890	June 30, 1954	5,695,751
Sept. 30, 1912	2,100,938	March 31, 1955	5,698,556
Sept. 30, 1912	2,105,986	June 30, 1955	5,701,361
Sept. 30, 1912	2,110,034	March 31, 1956	5,704,166
Sept. 30, 1912	2,115,082	June 30, 1956	5,706,971
Sept. 30, 1912	2,120,130	March 31, 1957	5,709,776
Sept. 30, 1912	2,125,178	June 30, 1957	5,712,581
Sept. 30, 1912	2,130,226	March 31, 1958	5,715,386
Sept. 30, 1912	2,135,274	June 30, 1958	5,718,191
Sept. 30, 1912	2,140,322	March 31, 1959	5,720,996
Sept. 30, 1912	2,145,370	June 30, 1959	5,723,701
Sept. 30, 1912	2,150,418	March 31, 1960	5,726,506
Sept. 30, 1912	2,155,466	June 30, 1960	5,729,311
Sept. 30, 1912	2,160,514	March 31, 1961	5,732,116
Sept. 30, 1912	2,165,562	June 30, 1961	5,734,921
Sept. 30, 1912	2,170,610	March 31, 1962	5,737,726
Sept. 30, 1912	2,175,658	June 30, 1962	5,740,531
Sept. 30, 1912	2,180,706	March 31, 1963	5,743,336
Sept. 30, 1912	2,185,754	June 30,	